Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Shirlene Simonsen's dedication to service has made her a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Simonsen has devoted over 20 years of her life to the service of this state and country in the Supply Arena and the CSSAMO Section, showing her dedication and selfless devotion to all missions within the Battalion; and,

Whereas, Her loyalty and leadership have made her a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Simonsen continues to give of herself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Staff Sergeant Shirlene Simonsen for over 20 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 21, 2009, as

STAFF SERGEANT SHIRLENE SIMONSEN DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with her family and friends in wishing her well in her retirement and thanking her for her service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Ninth Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

M. Michael Rounds

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State